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RUMOR CAUSES TROUBLE

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Many Strange Looking Men and "Something Doing" at Fusionists Headquarters This Morning.

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